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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft

As a supporter of Microsoft, I am writing you with concern over the recent settlement between Microsoft and the Department of Justice. I was surprised to find out that, after three years of negotiations, there may be even more delays in the process. After such a well thought out, well monitored negotiation process, one would think that it is time to move on. Let us get our technology industry back to business and allow the government to focus on more important issues.

As our economy suffers, our technology industry takes a back seat in this highly competitive global market. Awaiting more scrutiny of this settlement, only delays our IT sector in getting back to business. With the many concessions that Microsoft has made, all parties of the IT sector are ready to move forward, but there are those who are still trying to hold up the process. Let us not step on our own toes. Let us support the settlement that we have been trying to make happen for so long.

I urge you to not hold up this process any longer. Help us support this agreement as it is, so we can move on and get back to business.

Sincerely

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